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## TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail)

### THE SAN REMO CONFERENCE.

LONDON, April 20.  
The conference to-day discussed and approved the financial clauses of the Turkish treaty. They afterwards discussed the Armenian territorial question, especially the frontier and lastly the question of Batum.

LONDON, April 20.  
The League of Nations letter was read at the conference, declining the Armenian mandate on the ground that the covenant does not provide the powers necessary therefor. Also the mandate implies a heavy financial and military burden. The conference decided to send a note to President Wilson recommending America to support Armenia financially. The borders of Armenia were roughly defined. They are understood to be favourable to Armenia but do not include Trebizond. All decisions regarding Cilicia were suspended. The present tendency is to assign the port of Batum to Georgia, with special facilities for all nations needing an outlet to the Black Sea.

LONDON, April 21.  
The conference decided to appoint a commission to control Turkish finances. Military and naval experts pointed out the difficulty of executing the proposed treaty, especially regarding Erzerum, with a whole Turkish army corps still entrenched, and regarding Anatolia, where numerous bands are still operating. They considered that allied coercive military measures would probably be necessary. The British views were accepted without dissension.

### LABOUR WANTS INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ENQUIRY.

LONDON, April 20.  
The executive of the labour party has issued a manifesto calling attention to the economic paralysis creeping over Europe in consequence of the war, and appealing to the British government, in order to avoid a world-wide economic breakdown, to press for the establishment of an international body representing allied, neutral, and enemy states, charged with the task of reviewing the whole international economic situation, and making proposals for meeting the immediate difficulties.

### THE BUDGET DEBATE.

LONDON, April 20.  
When the debate on the budget was resumed, Mr. Asquith emphasised that since the outbreak of war, Britain had devoted 36 per cent. of its revenue, and only 63 per cent. of its borrowings, to meeting the cost of the war. This was a unique record among the belligerents, and exemplified the willingness of the British to make great sacrifices for great purposes. He objected to the proceeds from sales of war-stores being regarded as revenue. He declared that the wine duty was not worth the candle in view of the relatively small return and the ill-feeling it would cause in France, Spain, Portugal, and Italy. He emphasised the need of greater public economy. He criticised the relative smallness of the provision for reduction of the floating debt; but otherwise he warmly approved the budget proposals.

Mr. Clynes lamented that the undue wartime borrowing had maintained none of Mr. Chamberlain's proposals to diminish the cost of living. On the contrary, it was more likely to intensify the situation. Mr. Clynes congratulated Mr. Chamberlain on his excess profits proposal, but rejected the prolonged scheme for redemption of the debt, which could be wiped out in the few years by the continuance of a little self-sacrifice. The removal of the debt would give contentment not only to the poor but many who were not classed as poor.

Mr. Marriott opined that the budget would have the admirable effect of demonstrating to the whole world the country's confidence in the national finances. It would therefore react most favourably on British credit.

### WINSTON STILL HAS ANTI-BOLSHEVIST FORCE IN RUSSIA.

LONDON, April 20.  
In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. Keenworthy, Mr. Churchill stated that a small British military mission is retained in the Crimea with the object of assisting the reorganisation of the anti-Bolshevist army and keeping the new commander-in-chief, General Wrangel, informed of the progress of the negotiations between the British Foreign Office and the Bolsheviks, with a view to securing the lives of Russian soldiers, women children, and refugees in the Crimea. Meanwhile the government would do all it could through the mission to prevent the Bolsheviks overrunning the Crimea and massacring these people.

### SHIP'S MARVELLOUS ESCAPE.

LONDON, April 19.  
The ship "Speedonia" from the Dutch Indies to Capetown, with a million gallons of petrol aboard, caught fire south of Durban. It arrived at Lourenco Marques with the afterpart completely burned out but the cargo was saved by the steel deck.

### OLD BUILDING COLLAPSE.

LONDON, April 19.  
At the adjourned inquest in connection with the collapse of the Wolverhampton billiard hall, the coroner marvelled that only two were killed. The hall was built in 1858.

### DANGEROUS FIRE IN NEW YORK HARBOUR.

New York, April 19.  
A fire starting on the steamer "Halfried," loaded with nitrates, has threatened the destruction of the Busch terminal and two piers. Several explosions have occurred. Harbour tugs are hurrying to remove endangered shipping.

### TEXTILE MISSION TO FAR EAST.

LONDON, April 22.  
In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. Clough, Mr. Kellaway stated that the department of overseas trade had been endeavouring to arrange for a textile mission to the Far East whereon industrial, commercial, and labour interests could be represented. He was not yet able to supply more precise information, as important questions with regard to the provision of the necessary funds were still being discussed.

## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

### BRITISH BUDGET.

LONDON, April 19th.  
In the course of his Budget speech in the House of Commons, Mr. Chamberlain said this Budget was critical because the time had come to lay the deep foundations of future prosperity. The expenditure for 1920 was, approximately, £144,000,000 in excess of last year's estimate, but £283,000,000 below the Revised Estimates of October 1919.

As regards revenue the result was not merely more favourable than anticipated, but it greatly exceeded the original Budget estimates by £1,201,000,000. The actual Exchequer receipts were nearly £128,500,000.

The Customs and Excise revenue exceeded the estimate by £45,500,000, mainly due to the increased yield in spirits, beer, tobacco and tea. The increase in the consumption of tobacco was unprecedented, due, inter alia to greater smoking among women. Tea showed a surplus of £3,000,000, the increase in consumption being unique. The Entertainment Duty yielded £10,500,000, or £2,500,000 more than anticipated.

He proposed that the increase in the Excess Profits Tax operate from January 1st, but in the event of Parliament adopting the War Wealth Levy, which the Committee of Enquiry was investigating, he would be able to reverse the decision as regards the increase.

Assuming the latter to be 60 per cent., it was estimated that the revenue from it would be £230,000,000. Although this tax was a temporary one, a permanent tax was necessary. The Government had sent a mission to Canada and the United States to investigate about the possibility of a permanent tax, on the lines of the levy in those countries, but the methods there were found to be unsuitable to Great Britain.

With a view to preventing the Corporation Tax, mentioned earlier, being too severe a burden on the Ordinary shareholder, Mr. Chamberlain proposed that the duty should not exceed 2s. in £1 on the profits remaining after the payment of interest and dividends on Debentures and Preference shares.

The yield from the new tax was estimated to be £50,000,000 for the full year, in addition to the Excess Profits Duty, and £35,000,000 in the current year. The changes mentioned would produce an additional revenue of £78,000,000, and a total revenue of £1,218,000,000.

In the current year, Mr. Chamberlain estimated to have £234,000,000 for the redemption of debt, of which £30,000,000 will be available for the reduction of the Floating Debt. Moreover, as a result of the changes, it was anticipated that £240,000,000 would be available next year for the reduction of the debt, half of which would be available to reduce the Floating Debt. They were told, Mr. Chamberlain said, that two such Budgets might destroy the Empire. He retorted that twenty such would redeem the whole Empire's debt.

Mr. Chamberlain estimated that the Revenue next year on the present basis of taxation would be £1,341,650,000; the Expenditure, £1,177,452,000, leaving £164,000,000 for the reduction of the debt. This was inadequate, and he was going to appeal to the country to make generous efforts to improve British credit and lighten the future burden.

Replying to Sir Samuel Roberts, Mr. Chamberlain explained that, although great contributions as at present proposed would wipe out the debt, he did not contemplate, after the first great reduction of the debt, that they should continue to pay off at that rate, meaning the extinction of the debt in twenty years. When the first great reduction had taken place, it would be for the country to consider how far it might relax its efforts.

### THE SITUATION IN GERMANY.

BERLIN, April 19th.  
Hoelz, the Communist, who had been terrorising Saxony for weeks past at the head of a band of brigands in motor-cars was gradually pinned down on the Czechoslovak frontier and finally captured as a woman to Bohemia, where he is reported to have been arrested. A hundred of his Red Guards have been captured by Bavarian troops.

LATER.  
Hoelz was arrested at Marienbad and is being taken to Berlin.

BRISLAU, April 19th.  
The miners and iron and steel-workers are joining the general strike in Silesia, owing to the action of the French authorities, who threaten that if the strike is effective they will permit Polish troops to cross the frontier.

BERLIN, April 19th.  
The "Fosch Zeitung" says there are increasing signs that the French are gradually evacuating the new bridgehead of the Main, owing to the removal of the unadorned Reichswater from the Ruhr area. The French have already left the occupation zone east of Frankfurt. There are no foreign troops in Offenbach and Mulheim.

### LONDON DERRY RIOTS.

LONDON, April 19th.  
In the rioting at Londonderry, still a Celtic city, the morning the crowd attacked the soldiers with sticks and crowbars, and there were fifteen police baton charges. Subsequently, there was fighting between Unionists and Sinn Féiners.

### MUSTAPHA KEMAL.

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 19th.  
The Nationalists have attacked Ottoman in Anatolia and are attempting to overthrow the Greek population in severe but ineffective fighting. Mustapha Kemal has decided to defy the Sultan and declare war against Constitutionalists. The position in Southern Anatolia is also unsatisfactory.

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50 cases Transvaal Laundry Soap,  
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4 " Herrings,  
4 " Elastic Boot Web,  
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Hongkong, April 21, 1920.

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SUNDAY

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structions to sell by Public Auction,  
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structions from His Lordship  
the Bishop of Victoria, to sell by  
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ON

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the 30th April, 1920, at 2.30 p.m., at  
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SUNDAY

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Chairs, Extension Dining Table, Carpets  
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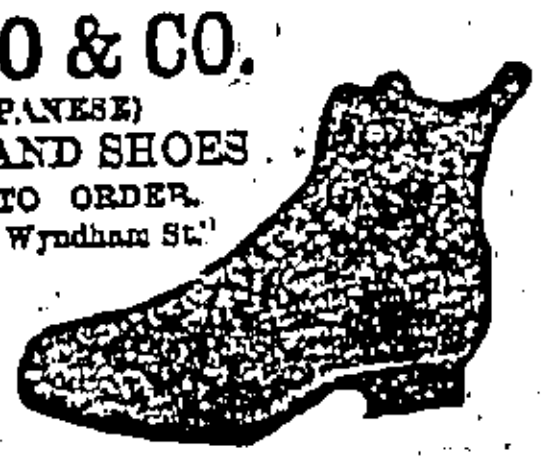
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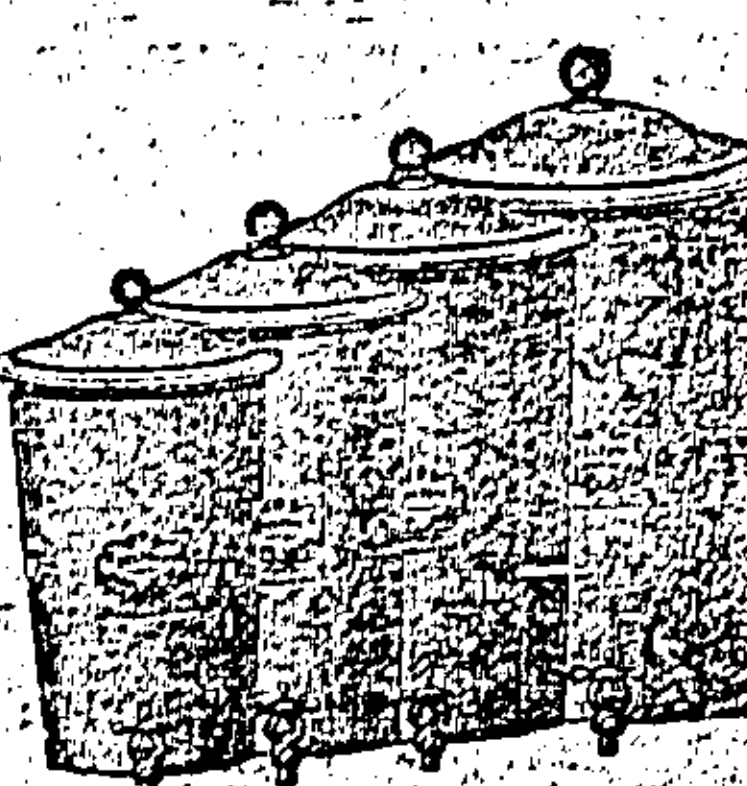
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**GOVERNMENT PROPOSALS.**

Emigration from this country to  
other parts of the British Empire,  
which was stopped altogether during  
the war, (says *The Daily Telegraph*)  
has since been greatly hampered  
by lack of shipping, but a large  
movement towards settlement in the  
Dominions is expected this year, and  
a report just issued by the Overseas  
Settlement Committee, appointed by  
the Government, with Viscount Milner  
(Colonial Secretary) as its president,  
and Mr. L. S. Amery (Parliamentary  
Under-Secretary for the Colonies) as  
vice-president, affords valuable in-  
formation as to the needs of the  
situation and the steps which have  
already been taken to meet them.  
Between 1904 and 1914 the average  
number of persons who left this  
country each year with a view to  
settlement overseas was 250,000, and  
in one year (1912) the number was  
about 400,000. The quality and  
distribution of British settlers is  
obviously a matter of grave import,  
and, as Lord Milner has repeatedly  
pointed out, the problem must be  
regarded from the standpoint of the  
unity of Empire, and is not a matter  
in which conflict of interests should  
arise between the Dominions and the  
Mother Country.

The chief demand of the Domi-  
nions, according to the report, is at  
present for men to settle on the land  
and for women to undertake domestic  
work. The committee are of opinion  
that a constant flow of overseas settle-  
ment is desirable, if "not in excess  
of what the industries of the United  
Kingdom can afford to spare or in  
excess of what the Dominions can  
conveniently absorb." They do not  
recommend that his Majesty's Gov-  
ernment should encourage any  
general movement of population  
with a view to settlement overseas,  
but they assert that a migration of  
women and juveniles, especially girls,  
should be encouraged. They have  
no doubt that there must always be  
a considerable outward movement of  
the population, and they think it  
essential that it should be adequate-  
ly supervised, and generally speaking  
encouraged to proceed to destinations  
within the Empire rather than to for-  
eign countries.

**WOMEN SETTLERS.**

There is at present a considerable  
excess of women in the Mother coun-  
try. Provisional figures from the  
War Office show that some 500,000  
males, mostly between the ages of 20  
and 29, were killed or died through  
the effects of the war and the surplus  
of women as at Dec. 31, 1919, was  
estimated at over 1,250,000. In view  
of these facts, the committee are of  
opinion that the settlement overseas  
of suitable women should be encour-  
aged. In order to ascertain the ex-  
tent of vacancies for women in the  
Dominions they have sent out women  
delegates to Canada, Australia  
and New Zealand. The reports  
from Australia and New Zealand  
are expected this spring. The report  
from Canada, already laid before the House  
of Commons, shows that the chief op-  
enings for women in that country are  
for domestic work. A new organiza-  
tion, the Society for the Overseas  
Settlement of British Women, has  
therefore been established under the  
auspices of the committee, and is  
composed of the three old-established  
women's emigration societies and the  
women's war services, reinforced by  
representatives of organized labour  
and the chief women's organisations  
throughout the country. Free  
passages are being extended to ex-  
Service women and to the widows  
and dependents of ex-Service men  
who are accepted as suitable settlers.  
The committee are also desirous of  
setting up small hostels under Gov-  
ernment control in London and  
Liverpool.

With regard to the settlement of  
men, the vacancies overseas are  
mainly for land work. Free passages  
are being granted to suitable ex-  
Service men. Provision is also made  
for allowances in a limited number of

cases to enable such persons to take  
up courses of training in agriculture  
either at home or overseas. There  
are also occasional industrial op-  
enings for men and women in the  
Dominions, and the committee are  
co-operating with the Canadian  
Government with a view to ascertain-  
ing and circulating the knowledge of  
such openings at home. Those for  
whom industrial openings are not  
available will be discouraged from  
leaving the country. Obviously no  
action should be taken to fill in-  
dustrial vacancies overseas save at  
the request of the Government of the  
Dominion concerned, and with the  
concurrence of our Government at  
home.

**BONUS SYSTEM CONDEMNED.**

English settlers are less welcome  
in the Dominions than might be  
expected owing to encouragement  
given at home to unsuitable settlers  
to leave the country. The action of  
certain voluntary societies, who have  
in the past encouraged settlement  
overseas too much with the idea of  
relieving distress and misery at home,  
is cited as one cause for the trans-  
ference of unsuitable types to the  
Dominions. Special stress also is  
laid upon the bonus system, by  
which encouragement to recruit  
settlers and induce them to buy  
tickets to overseas destinations is left  
in the hands of private agents.  
This system, which is severely  
criticised in the report of the women  
delegates to Canada, has failed to  
supply settlers of the type desired  
overseas, is indefensible and should  
be abandoned.

Cases are specified of harmful  
publicity, especially in connection  
with schemes for settlement upon  
irrigable land in South Africa, by  
which ex-Service officers and settlers  
generally are being induced to risk  
their capital in dangerous adventures  
overseas. Statements in the Cape  
Parliament are to the effect that  
numerous unadulterated swindles  
have been on the market in the United  
Kingdom, and that scores of men of  
the very best class, such as retired  
officers with families, possessing  
£2,000 or £3,000, have been brought  
out to South Africa only to be let  
down. The consequences of such  
action are authoritatively stated to  
be "disastrous to the Union."

The committee urge that the en-  
actment of overseas settlement leg-  
islation is now a matter of urgency,  
and that closer attention should be  
given by the Government to the  
whole problem. They recommend:

1. An early conference on overseas  
settlement between the Ministers  
of his Majesty's Government and of  
the Governments of the self-govern-  
ing Dominions specially responsible  
for such matters.
2. An annual expenditure not ex-  
ceeding £100,000 in 1920-21 with a  
view to securing adequate supervision  
in this country, and adequate co-  
operation with the overseas Gov-  
ernments; this expenditure to be ad-  
ditional to the £1,000,000 likely to  
be required in 1920-21 in connection  
with the free passage scheme.
3. The immediate enactment of  
legislation to supervise and control  
passage brokers and agents, to  
safeguard the interests of all settlers  
(particularly, at the present moment,  
ex-Service men and women); and to  
control propaganda and advertise-  
ments connected with overseas set-  
tlement within the Empire or emigra-  
tion to foreign countries.

A grant of £250,000, which may  
be increased to £500,000, has been  
made to the Committee by the  
National Relief Fund. This grant is  
to be used for the benefit of persons  
who may have suffered as a result of  
the war, and who would be more  
usefully helped by assistance in settle-  
ment overseas than in any other way.

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**INTIMATIONS.**

**KOWLOON BOWLING GREEN  
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ING will be held in the Club  
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5.45 p.m.

**Business.**

1. To Receive Committee's Report and  
Statement of accounts for year  
ended December 31, 1919.
2. To Elect Office Bearers for ensuing  
year.
3. To Discuss Club business generally.

D. GOW,  
Acting Hon. Secretary.

**KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY.**

(BARTON SECTION).

The public is notified that the full  
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J. P. WINSLOW,  
Manager.

Kowloon,  
April 21st, 1920.

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Manager.

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### The China Mail.

"TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE."

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, APRIL 22, 1930.

#### IDIOMS AND CLICHES.

Visualize a strong man in agony. Time was ticking as fast and steadily as a lawyer's cousin. Grimy compositors, paid post-war wages, stood awaiting copy. In his scriptorium high up, opposite the broken flower-pot, the leader-writer sat with puckered brow, casting about for a subject. The scent was cold as the lazy man's morning coffee. A promising subject seemed as elusive as a unicorn in a tianan's bosom. O, ye who sit at home and read, ye seek not the heart that bleeds of that unhappy night. Who must write something daily fresh or bust. Sealing-wax and cabbage and kings may be treated of now and then, but not too often. Editors demand "something local."

The temptation to give it them, in the eye, is very strong. But leader-writers with wives (singular) and children (plural) may not throw their caps over windmills. The situation, as you see, is trying. It is what General Sherman said war was.

Enter, at this stage, an angel, wearing a cigarette and a shy smile. "This," says the angel, "may supply you with some ammunition." He deposits a blue pamphlet and returns to heaven. The pamphlet says: "A sheaf of Idiomatic Phrases," by W. Vernon Doherty, B.A. W. V. D. is a Queen's College man. His pamphlet is undoubtedly "something local." Moreover, its subject happens to press the button of the leader-writer's chief interest. Words and phrases. Idioms. Good! Have at it.

The immediate object of this booklet, we are told, is to meet the requirements of the local examinations for the examiners.

correct application of them in his essays. Leaning back in his chair, the leader-writer closes his eyes, and shudders like a horse bothered by flies, as he tries to picture the well-meaning student collecting idioms like an entomologist collecting beetles. They stick pins into 'em. They mount 'em. The China Mail is frequently favoured with letters from people who have collected idioms, and mounted 'em. They are proud of their knowledge of English. The editor loads the Adversarian, and pulls the trigger, and they are riddled and humbled for a while. But they go on living—idiomatically. Really, our Hongkong examiners must take warning. There is danger in stressing the importance of idiomatic English on the foreign student.

"Boy! Go chop-chop bottom-side look-see can catch one-piece chit belong my. Foreman talkes one man have pay bottom-side."

Certainly, Sir. I will at once go downstairs and ascertain if the missive you are expecting has arrived.

This implicit reproach of the pit-jin nonsense could have been more idiomatically expressed, but not with advantage. Glancing through Mr. Doherty's sheaf of idioms, one encounters phrases that may just as fairly be described as cliches, those ready-made reach-me-down, stereotyped phrases that get cuckoo-like into the nest of a writer's mind, and out good English. Why cultivate cuckoo phrases? To tolerate them, that is permissible; but to teach them, that is surely unnecessary and unwise. It is good to teach a baby to walk and talk; but who teaches it to sleep or wail? The mind of a student of English is an infant, prone to sleep. Idiomatic conversation, one way regarded, is talk in sleep, a jigsaw patchwork of memorized phrases that may sometimes fit roughly, but rarely exactly.

Why introduce to the honest student a slacker phrase like "so forth." It will inebriate, obtrude, volunteer, creep in, and so forth, without outside help, and conspire with other slovenly cousins to rob the student's English of the "finish" that should be a part of his art. Such short cuts to facile expression become, as it were, the moustache of adolescence, the first jewel of flapperhood, or (as Mr. Doherty brutally suggests) "the apple of his eye," to the speaker or writer who lacks artistic pride and conscience. Students contemplate that idiom or cliché, "apple of his eye," and sternly resolve for ever to banish it from

your vocabulary. Leave it to the parrots. If you, like the lady in the Song which is not Solomon's, want to be comforted with apples, make one for yourself. You might refer, for instance, to the allegation that idioms are as intimately dear to a certain type of examiner as the Adam's apple in his neck. You may fail to pass your exam, but if you show that your failure was due to originality, we will give you a good job on the China Mail staff.

Having got thus far, and been interrupted, the leader-writer, when the interrupters had gone, was re-filling his pipe. It was in his teeth, and he had just struck a match (idiom) when an idea struck him back. (Ideas are the champions of the weak and oppressed.) He hastily turned to page 42, to see if Mr. Doherty had included the journalistic idiom: "Sustained a fractured limb." Not there. Not guilty. Mr. Doherty is honorably acquitted. So we can forgive him for giving "axe to grind" as an idiom without explaining that it is a literary allusion; and for giving "beat a retreat" without explaining that it is habitually misused. The drummer beats the retreat; the regiment retreats. The idiom collector speaking of the regiment, uses the phrase meant for the drummer. The American, believing brevity to be the soul of wit, shortens it and speaks of the regiment "beating it." The thoughtful reader has a mental picture of a thousand men beating one drum. The parrots go on repeating the phrase till its derivation and meaning are lost. While "on the beat," as a policeman would say, let us express surprise that an educator should hold up an ungrammatical atrocity like "dead beat," which is slang shorthand for "beaten and almost dead." However, he reminds us on page 8 that teaching is no bed of roses, so we need not offer him gratuitous torments. After all, what we are here reviewing seems to be a little dictionary of idioms; we should not complain because it is not an encyclopedia. Generally speaking, we may repeat that we doubt the advantage of teaching such phrases; and particularly speaking we object to the inclusion of such vernacular or Dialectal phrases as "in all my born days." Why, again, include such humorous periphrases as "not born yesterday," and ignore "not art," which should convince the examiner that the student has indeed acquired the quaintness of metropolitan culture?

Idiom is a catholic, an omnibus expression. We suggest that Mr. Doherty should produce another foreword, explaining to the boys the shades of meaning indicated by such categories as idioms, periphrases, allusions, metaphors, hyperboles, colloquialisms, slang, cliches, similes, "and so forth." In this the student might be told what could be profitably adopted, and what should be ignored or pointedly avoided.

In the last class we would include phrases like "not a bit of it," which are exactly on a par with "not art," especially as in the example he gives: "Will Q.C. lose the shield next year? Not a bit of it." That has the Babu touch. "Not a bit" means no part of the implicit proposition of the query, i.e., that no part of the suggestion that Q.C. will lose is true. It is, of course, as true as a syllogism that make it, that if Q.C. does not lose a bit of the shield next year, it will retain the whole shield.

A still better illustration of the Babu touch, the peril of all idiom collectors, is found on page 75. A regular brick: A good fellow. What, finished so soon? Why, you are a regular brick. In any circumstance so represented, no Englishman would be likely to say just that, in that way. The quality of "brickery," so to speak, is not cleverness or rapidity of ability, but good-nature. If we consider probabilities, the man we call "a regular brick" would not be finished so soon. Perhaps this chmp was "hot stuff."

"On the cards," by the literary artist bent on the closest possible expression of exact shades of meaning, is not fixed as an equivalent of "likely," "he," or "probable." It suggests that the thing is foretold or prophesied, as by a fortune-teller. It may fit both, since fortune-tellers and prophets sometimes make good shots; but we mention it to emphasize again the peril of idiom collecting. We are aware that many people use "on the cards" in the sense of "cut and dried," "put up job," which it does not mean to the man who reads with his mind as well as with his eye.

Mr. Doherty does not seem to be a precisian. Explaining "of course," he tells them that it means "naturally." Example: "You will, of course, receive a bonus without demur." We should like to see the crank who demurs when invited to receive a bonus. We suspect that what Mr. Doherty meant was that the giver of the bonus would not demur, because with him the giving of bonuses is

the rule, a matter of course. But that is not what he says. A comical instance of a misused idiom, what we have typified as Babu-nerdy, occurs on page 16: "2. To prepare, to scheme—Have you cut out your work for the term? Yes, I have it all cut and dried." That is a double howler, or, as one might say, a case of howling twins. To "cut out work" in the correct student idiom is to "cut lectures," to neglect study. "Cut and dried" is absurdly out of place there. If the teaching of idiom (correct usage) is meant, the question should be, "Have you mapped out your work?" and the answer would be, "Yes. And I've lined it in. It is all framed and glazed." On page 23, there is an omission that will surprise the students. There are six explanations of the phrase "to get off," namely, to perpetrate a joke; to secure acquittal, to memorize a poem, to undress, to catch a steamer, and to dismount. The idiomatic use of it by Dappers and Knuts on the Monkey Parade is ignored. Why this shyness?

At this point, realizing that he had written more than is required of him, the leader-writer leaned back with a satisfied grin. He mused: "Wonder what sort of chap Doherty is. Will he be annoyed at this leg-pulling? Or will he enjoy it? If he is annoyed, see page 23; top line. If not, he is a regular brick." Many a true word spoken in jest. Examiners may profitably note our warning regarding partiality for idioms. Teachers may find valuable suggestions in the matter of explaining them. General reader, we trust, has not been bored. Anyway, it is five o'clock. Down tools. Now for "the cup that cheers." Idiom, allusion, cliché? All three. What we mean is that it is tea time.

#### ADVERSARIA.

The bald-headed grey-haired man who perpetrates phrases, most of the leaders of the Adversarian's thunder, and perpetrated an anemic pastiche, which means a feeble imitation of our chaste style. The editor ought to have more sense than to put it in. That pamphlet of Mr. Doherty's was in the first place put on the Adversarian's desk, and we "make no bones" about saying that the old fool stole it. Look at the consequences. Instead of a scholarly discussion of the place in education of "Idiomatic Phrases," you get a farrago of idiotic phrases. We condole with Mr. Doherty, and advise him to resign the leader-writer with a school cane. We have long thought that a bamboo poultice on his seat of learning would do him good.

We are not jumping to the conclusion that the Government, in advancing cheap money to local home-builders, will not make proper enquiries. We expect and anticipate that they will take pains to suit out the applicants. We are obliged, however, to moot the point, since it has been represented to us that certain people who are known to have money out at big interest have applied for one of the Government's cheap advances, intended to encourage and assist home-builders. To lend an individual (say) ten thousand dollars at from five to seven per cent., the said individual having a like amount invested at 12 per cent., does not seem to us any better than farming out, or profiteering; and the scheme had no such intentions. On approved security, the Government is to help bona-fide home-builders who otherwise would not be in a position to start. That is the idea. Whether such cases as the one mentioned be barred or not, the others should certainly be given preference.

#### BASKET BALL.

##### HONGKONG LEAGUE.

The final game of the series in the Hongkong Basket Ball League was played last evening by the American A.C. and University B. (the University's first team) resulting in a win for the former by the score of 25 to 12. The players evidently became played out during the last half, with disastrous results. Capt. Routh of the American team scored 49 points for his team, while Capt. Sing of the University team scored all the points to the credit of his team. The game was played in the Chinese Y.M.C.A. gymnasium.

The final League Table is as follows:  
American A.C. 16 points.  
S. China A.C. 14 points.  
S. China A.C. 14 points.  
U.S.S. Balmain 12 points.  
University B. 12 points.  
Chinese Y.M.C.A. 8 points.  
Queen's Red 6 points.  
I.R.C. 6 points.  
University A. 2 points.  
Queen's White. (Withdrawn.)

#### LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Te-day's dollar is worth 4s. 10½d.

The full service of the Kowloon-Canton railway was resumed to-day.

H. E. the Governor holds an inspection of the Police force to-morrow.

The Hongkong Schools Athletic sports take place to-morrow at Happy Valley.

The annual meeting of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club is to be held to-morrow at 5.45 p.m.

Mr. G. Butts, manager of the Manila Hotel, is passing through the Colony on his way to America on holiday.

Messrs. Hughes and Hough are conducting a sale of Chinese porcelain at their sales rooms, Des Voeux Road, to-morrow commencing at 2.30 p.m.

Mr. J. M. Wong has been re-elected Chairman of the Chinese Recreation Club. Mr. Un Hui Fan is the Hon. Secretary and Mr. Wong Kam Ying is the Hon. Treasurer.

Sir Paul and Lady Chater are leaving the Colony on May 6 by the "Empress of Russia" on holiday. Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Moxon, Mr. S.B.C. Ross and Mr. H. J. Gedde are among the other passengers on the same vessel.

The following approaching weddings are announced: Mr. W. R. Wilkinson, Telegraphist, G.P.O., to Miss L. E. M. de Souza; Dr. Arthur W. Woo, M.B., B.S.C. (London) to Miss May D. Choy, daughter of Mr. Choy Hing, manager of the Wing On Insurance Company.

When the luggage of a Chinese who was boarding the s.s. "Kingshan" was searched, yesterday, the Police found 95 tals of raw opium. He was removed to the Central Station, where he was detained for one night, and this morning charged before Mr. R. O. Hutchison. A fine of \$500, or, in default three months' hard labour was imposed. The drug was confiscated.

Two Chinese were charged before Mr. N. L. Smith, at the Magistracy this morning, with driving a truck in a reckless manner in Hollywood Road, colliding with a small girl, and badly crushing her leg under one of the wheels. The defendants said they had exercised all possible care. The child ran in front of their truck, and before they could pull up, it had run into her. The Police said they would like a remand, as the girl is still in hospital, and would not be discharged for some time yet. A week's remand was granted.

With regard to arrangements for bathing during the coming season it is learned that the Government is again providing an enclosure at North Point, although this is to be moved from its old site to a place opposite the Ming Yuen Gardens. Sheds will also be provided at Kennedy Town. At Repulse Bay the management of Repulse Bay Hotel is contemplating the provision of a number of bathing tents after the style of those that formerly adorned North Point before the Government took upon itself the task of providing suitable accommodation. The Royal Hongkong Yacht Club is again providing for a bathing section so that swimmers will be well catered for.

Inspector Earnar this morning charged two Chinese before Mr. N. L. Smith, at the Magistracy, with the unlawful possession of a quantity of revolver ammunition, which was found in a tin of green peas. The Inspector said he would like a 3 days' remand, as according to information received, he had reason to suspect that the ammunition was part of a quantity of ammunition, and two months ago to have been stolen from a Butterfield and Swire steamer while she was undergoing repairs at the Kowloon Dock. He would like time to try and verify the suspicion. His Worship said he could not grant a three days' remand, but he would postpone the case until Saturday morning.

Two young Chinese were this morning charged, at the Magistracy, before Mr. N. L. Smith, with the theft of a quantity of clothing from the cooler's quarters of the Post Office. They denied the charge. The Police said the boys were seen in Queen's Road, with the clothing in their possession. As soon as they saw a constable approaching, they dropped some of the clothing, and bolted. They were not seen again until three days later (yesterday), in Wanchai, when they again ran away. Chase was given, and the small boy was arrested. The elder boy was arrested the same night as the result of information given to the Police by the other. The elder boy was the son of a messenger employed at the Educational Department. Both were convicted, and the elder boy was sentenced to one month's hard labour. The other was ordered to receive 8 strokes of the birch, and 48 hours' detention.

#### CASUAL NOTES.

BY "THE TRIAMP."

The Constitutional Reformers were in rather a jubilant mood last week when they met for their annual meeting. According to their chairman some measure of constitutional reform was in sight as, at any rate, the Governor was reported to be sympathetically disposed towards some of the proposals made. The Kowloon Residents' Association got a pat on the back. If the two bodies can work in harmonious co-operation they should be able to accomplish a great deal. If they achieve nothing else by the elections they contemplate they will at least provide a break in the monotony. The next thing, of course, if the principle of election is granted by the Home authorities, will be women suffrage and the right of women to contest seats for the Council. When that comes Hongkong will begin to move.

If you are a motorist you may not agree with what is to follow. It's a kick against bright headlights. These things are becoming a nuisance and they also involve some measure of danger. I happened to see a machine the other night, a cycle-trailer combination, with three brilliant lights in front. The lights were so dazzling, that it was impossible to see a thing in the road and a couple of other motor cyclists who were ascending the hill had a bit of a job. They had almost to stop. In many cases I must admit the drivers of motors are considerate enough to dim their lights when nearing another vehicle, but it seems an act of courtesy. There is not only the claim of courtesy but also public safety. Perhaps the Automobile Association can drop a polite hint to its members in this connection?

While on the subject of motors a rumour reaches me that an endeavour is being made to organise a transport section of the new Volunteer Defence Corps to run in conjunction with a section having charge of the communications. Already I understand a number of motorists have signified their readiness to join. Among these there is a general chortle and a fiendish smile as they whisper: "Wait till there's a route march." Just to see the other lighters walking while I can swank by at 40."

If your read your China Mail carefully you will have noticed a little paragraph about the Raleigh Cycles which came at a very opportune moment when the trams were not running. It reminded me very much of the story of the music seller who during the recent strike of the London Bobbies filled his window with that popular selection "The Policeman's Holiday."

It's rather a treat nowadays to see Christianity take a really practical form. The announcement by the Bishop of Victoria that the Sunday collections at St. John's Cathedral would be given to those dependent on the two men who were killed by a landslide while working on the building of a Church Hall is something to be appreciated.

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#### TENNIS.

##### H.K.O.O. TOURNAMENT.

In the Championship singles last evening O. Rumball beat L. Forster after an interesting match by 6-4, 7-5, 4-6 and 6-1. The matches down for decision to-day are: Handicap Doubles: Paymr. Lt. Robinson and Paymr. Lt. Com. Holborn v. Major Greenaway and Major Ardoino; M. M. Mass and A. B. Raworth v. Lt. Col. Taylor and Col. Humphry. Open Championship Singles: J. R. Yennan v. M. W. L. Handicap Singles: A. M. F. A. Redmond v. G. B. Sewell. Handicap Singles: B. D. T. Valentine v. Z. W. Day.

#### THANKS TO THE VOLUNTEERS.

HONGKONG'S DEBT OF GRATITUDE TO THE ARMY AND NAVY.

Mr. F. Graham, Manager of the Hongkong Electric Company, called on the Editor of the China Mail to-day and said that not only his Company, but the entire public of the Colony, are under a debt of gratitude to the men of the Army and Navy who so willingly gave their services that Hongkong might not be plunged into darkness, with all the inconveniences and dangers involved, on the occasion of the strike.

Mr. Graham informs us that he no sooner applied to Commodore V. G. Turner, R.N., for some of the Naval men to help keep the lighting stations going during the emergency, than Commodore at once turned to and arranged for a detail of 21 men to be sent to the North Point Station of the Electric Company, where they worked in shifts of 7 men each, during the time of trouble. At the Wanchai Station, 8 European Sappers and 9 Chinese Sappers of the Royal Artillery, kindly furnished by the Commander, looked after and stood watch at the machines.

The work was voluntarily done by the members of the military forces in aid of Hongkong, and the China Mail takes this opportunity of publicly thanking the men, whose names cannot be ascertained just now but will be published in full if furnished by some one of our friends to-morrow for their loyal and efficient labour in standing by the Colony in its time of need.

We would not care to predict what might have happened had the city of Hongkong been plunged into darkness suddenly during the strike, but it is our opinion that substantial recognition by the Colony of the services of the men, other than what might be done for them privately by the Company, would be in order.

#### SUMMARY COURT.

Before Mr. Justice Wood, Puisne Judge, in the Summary Court this morning, Li Siu Ho, who was represented by Mr. L. D'Almada, sued Li Siu Hok for the sum of \$75 claimed as the balance due by the defendant to the plaintiff in respect of the sale of the Sun Cheong Wo firm. Mr. J. Gardiner appeared for the defendant. Mr. D'Almada explained that his client was one of a number of partners in a business of which the defendant was managing partner. Defendant failed to furnish certain accounts relating to the business and plaintiff issued a writ against him as managing partner asking for a declaration that the partnership was dissolved, for accounts, and for the payment of whatever might be due. Proceedings were subsequently withdrawn when defendant agreed to purchase the whole business. The present action was for the sum of \$75 which the plaintiff alleged had been wrongfully deducted from his share by the defendant for legal costs. Plaintiff contended that the legal costs should be paid by the firm and not by him as he had given the necessary three months' notice of withdrawal from the partnership.

The defence alleged that three months' notice had not been given, and that the first intimation they received of intention to withdraw, was a letter from plaintiff's solicitor stating that three months' notice had already been given and expired on the date of writing. Defendant also alleged that plaintiff visited his shop and agreed that the \$75 should be deducted for legal costs if his withdrawal from the firm were effected.

After hearing the evidence, his Lordship gave judgment in favour of the plaintiff for \$75 and costs. Mr. Gardiner applied for a stay of execution and seven days were allowed.

#### CORONET THEATRE.

A crowded house laughed itself hoarse at the Coronet Theatre last night at the antics of the great Charlie with his motor. Chaplin in "A day's pleasure" is more than ever worth seeing. Those who have seen the picture will only have to remember it early in the morning to put them in good humor for the rest of the day. In the programme is also a "Gazette" during which the audience comes for five minutes under the spell of Carpenter's smile and then the exact blow which put Beckett out is demonstrated. Almost equalling the Chaplin picture in humor is "Upstairs" with Mabel Normand in the principal part. The Coronet may justly claim to be putting up a super programme and it is being rewarded with heavy bookings.

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## WATCHMAN'S CURIOUS STORY.

## JOB FOR SHERLOCK HOLMES

At the Magistracy this morning, before Mr. R. O. Hutchison, Sgt. Ogg of the Yau-mat Police Station, charged a Chinese, a watchman employed by the Fook Shun Hin Copper Smiths' firm, of No. 215 Temple Street, Yau-mat, with neglect of duty. The defendant admitted the offence.

Asked to relate the facts of the case, the Sergeant said that at 11.15 p.m., on the 20th inst., the defendant, who was on duty at the Yau-mat Police Station, came to an armed robbery and reported that place at the shop. His story was that whilst he was asleep, he heard the crash of a window pane being smashed. Before he could get out of bed, four men, one armed with a dagger, entered the room in which he was, and threatened him with death if he showed any fight. He struggled with them, and in the course of the fight, he was stabbed in the forehead. The men then stole \$46 worth of copper, and departed. The Sergeant said he washed the blood off the defendant's face, and instead of finding a stab wound, as he had expected, he found about thirty little scratches on the defendant's forehead. From what he (the Sergeant) afterwards discovered about the case, he was convinced that the scratches were self-inflicted. When he was further examined, the defendant said he left his post at 4 p.m., after locking up the place, and did not return until 6 p.m., when he found all locked as he had left it.

Proceeding, the sergeant said he made some enquiries on the following morning, and the caretaker of the house next door told him that he had not heard the crash of breaking glass during the night, neither did he know of any armed robbery having taken place in the Copper Smiths' shop. What he did know was that after the defendant left his post at 4 p.m., he found the door of the shop was open, and when the defendant returned, he spoke to him about it, but the defendant did not seem pleased about it. When the defendant was questioned about this, he stoutly denied that he had ever spoken to the man next door, and persisted in his story of the armed robbery.

His Worship decided to give the defendant another chance to plead, as it was possible he did not realize the seriousness of the charge.

After the charge had been read and explained to the defendant, he again pleaded "Guilty."

Sergeant Ogg said that if his Worship was going to convict, he would ask for a heavy penalty, in view of the fact that the defendant had given the Police a lot of trouble in following up a robbery which he was convinced, never took place. There was a lot of these things going on, and he thought it was high time it was stopped. In some cases it could be proved that an alleged armed robbery was a fake, but in others their time was wasted. In this case, he had no doubt that the alleged armed robbery was a fake, and that the defendant had himself stolen the copper, but, of course, there was no proof.

His Worship suggested that the theft might have taken place during the defendant's absence.

The Sergeant said that was not possible, and the defendant had himself stated that he found everything as he had left them when he returned at 6 p.m. As an example of the honesty of the defendant's story, he told his Worship that in the room from which the copper was stolen, there was a large European trunk covered with dust, and which had not been touched. He asked the defendant if the robbers had opened the trunk, and the defendant said "No, there is nothing in it." He (the Sergeant) submitted that the robbers would not have known that the trunk was empty without opening it.

His Worship said he would like to hear evidence before convicting.

Sergeant Ogg then went into the witness box and gave evidence corroborating his opening statement. He further stated that instead of finding the glass shattered about the door as he would have expected, it was all picked up and neatly placed in a basket by the side of the window. The defendant pointed out a door to him, which he alleged had been burst open by the robbers. As the result of his examination of the door, he (the Sergeant) was convinced that the door must have been broken open from the inside and not from the outside as the defendant alleged. Another thing which confirmed his suspicion that the robbery was a fake one, was that it should have taken the defendant all the time while the robbers smashed the window pane and broke the door, to get out of bed!

With regard to the Sergeant's contention as to the trunk, his Worship suggested that the robbery might have been committed by people who were connected with the shop, in which case, they would have known that the trunk was empty.

The Sergeant said that was possible, but that argument would not shake his belief that no robbery had taken place, because, if robbers had, in fact, entered the premises, they would not have taken away only \$46 worth of copper, especially in

## THE STRIKE RABBIT.

## WILL SHANGHAI BE AFFECTED?

Coming on top of labour troubles in Yokohama and Hongkong, the strike of the Chinese students is exercising opinion to a considerable extent locally. Remembering what happened a year ago, employers of labour in Shanghai, more especially perhaps labour connected with shipping, are not at all certain that the event can take place without some local derangement, even although the students have specifically stated that no interference with foreign business will occur. Nobody doubts the genuineness of this desire, but in some quarters there is an inclination to fear that the general situation may get beyond their control.

What coolies obtained a substantial rise a year ago, when the rush of summer trade took place, and wages have come down little if at all. But rents have soared in proportion to wages, and making the usual cost of living, and making the usual vicious circle. At the moment, it is true, the labourers have no particular cause of complaint, but there is just a fear that the strike of the students even if it does not affect them in other ways, may induce a feeling of unrest. For within the past year an additional factor has had to be considered in local labour matters. Some of the returned coolies have brought back with them a few of the extreme ideas of Labour in Europe, and the cases of Yokohama and Hongkong might react here now, whereas in the past their influence would have been very small.

So far as labour in connection with shipping is concerned, the most important factor will probably be the amount of cargo to be handled. At present the strike of the Yokohama longshoremen is holding up shipping there, with a consequent effect on cargoes in Shanghai. Up to the time of writing the Hongkong strike has not affected the harbour there, but its tendency to spread has been noted, and there is the fear that it may at any time do so. If so it would mean a still quieter spell in Shanghai, and would probably go far in counteracting the unsettling effect of the students' movement, as during a slack spell the coolies would probably be too busy looking for employment to take up time with any agitation.—N. C. Daily News.

## THE BIG DANCE.

Does the announcement that St. George's Society is holding its annual celebration this year on a comparatively small scale—as shown by the fact that it is taking place in the After House—mean that the great balls to which we have been accustomed are doomed? There is more than a suspicion that they are, and except for a few sentimental regrets, no one will be really sorry. Gone are the days when the "season" opened with the Caledonian Ball, and progressed sedately through the winter months with three or four national gatherings, a series of dances arranged by various clubs and a few private affairs. For now the "season" never ends. People go on dancing no matter what the temperature may be, and the old catholicity in partners, entailing a heart-breaking search for people in an almost hopeless maze, has given place to a most exclusive style of things, to the formation of the smallest possible groups, intruders into which receive a frigid reception. And there are better floors than the Town Hall, so that more and more the great, almost conventional assembly, will disappear, and the smaller, more intimate function take its place.

view of the fact that there were other metals of greater value in the room from which the copper was removed. Another point which he thought would be worth mentioning, was that when he examined the back door, through which he was told the robbers got away, he discovered a pool of water just outside the door, and upon examining the patch of dry ground immediately beyond this pool of water, he found only one solitary foot print. Surely, if four men have got through that door, there would have been more than one footprint on the ground.

Asked if he had anything to say, the defendant said he left his post at 4 p.m., and went to have his meal. He returned at 6 o'clock, and found nothing amiss. Opening the back door, he took a basin of water outside and washed his feet, after which, he relaxed to the back door and went upstairs to sleep. While he was lying awake in bed, he heard a crash, as if a window pane had been smashed, but thinking it was next door, he took no notice. Then he heard the door being smashed, and before he could get out of bed, four men, one armed with a dagger burst into the room in which he was. In the struggle which followed between himself and the robbers, he was stabbed in the forehead. The robbers took away with them \$46 worth of copper. He went to the Police Station and reported the robbery immediately after the robbers left.

After other witnesses had been heard, his Worship reserved his decision until to-morrow morning.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

One case of smallpox. One case of C. S. fever.

The result of the Borey Pool Competition played at Fanling 17th-19th April was a win by Mr. G. H. Wilson, 2 down, 22 cards were taken out.

A Chinese was this morning charged before Mr. N. L. Smith, at the Magistracy, with the theft, on board a ship, of a pair of shoes. Three weeks' hard labour.

Government sanction has been granted to Mr. Ricou's aerial company to establish a service between Hongkong and Macao, on the condition that flying is not done over fortifications.

The ss. "Muttra," Messrs. Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., agents, leaves to-morrow for Shanghai at noon. Her passengers include Mr. E. M. Joseph, Mr. E. Joseph, Mrs. J. Shealy, Mr. F. Scarborough, Mrs. C. M. G. Burns, Mr. C. E. Hinchinson, Mr. R. C. Davies, Mr. H. Barlow and Major W. H. Drummond.

Having been despatched on or about March 22, the decisions of the Secretary of State on the recommendations made by the Civil Service Commission for an increase in the salaries of Government servants, should, in the words used by the Colonial Secretary to a representative of the China Mail, this morning, "reach here any day now."

A Chinese who was found on the verandah of a house in Poon Street, was this morning charged before Mr. N. L. Smith with being a rogue and a vagabond, and with being in the house for an unlawful purpose. He told the Magistrate that he did not go to the house to steal, but to give someone there a sound thrashing. This man, he said, had assaulted him some six months ago, and he had been looking for him ever since, until yesterday, when he discovered where he lived and went to get him. He did not know his assailant's name, but he had informed the Chief Chinese Detective about the matter at the time he was assaulted. Theft was not the motive which brought him to the house. Three weeks' hard labour.

## LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.

## ARRIVALS.

The ss. "Ixion," (Captain James Inkster), 6,520 tons, arrived yesterday at 7 a.m. from Kobe with 4,103 tons of general cargo.

The ss. "Yangtze," (Capt. W. H. Hindley), 4,149 tons, arrived yesterday at 11 a.m. from Keelung with 576 tons of general cargo.

The ss. "Muttra," (Capt. S. A. Morgan), 2,985 tons, arrived yesterday at 6 p.m. from Singapore with 1,705 tons of general cargo.

The ss. "Chongva," (Capt. W. Michailoff), 558 tons, arrived yesterday at 7.45 p.m. from Haiphong with 1,200 tons of general cargo.

The ss. "Amakusa Maru," (Capt. S. Kobayashi), 2,356 tons, arrived yesterday at 9.55 a.m. from Swatow with 103 tons of general cargo and 950 tons of coal.

## DEPARTURES.

The ss. "Tijalah," Capt. La Rooy, sailed for Yokohama at 5 p.m. to-day with 1,000 tons of timber.

The ss. "Sunning," Capt. Benson, sailed for Shanghai at 12 noon to-day with 1,500 tons of general cargo.

The ss. "Hwah Kun," (Capt. Hollingshead), sailed for Saigon at 7 a.m. to-day with 500 tons of general cargo.

The ss. "West Niger," Capt. Swan, sailed for San Francisco via Shanghai at 12 noon to-day with 4,700 tons of general cargo.

The ss. "Rooksang," Capt. Mitchell, sailed for Calcutta via Singapore at 3 p.m. to-day with 1,250 tons of general cargo.

The ss. "Winyah," (Capt. Peterson), sailed for New York via Manila and Ports at 8 a.m. to-day with 4,400 tons of general cargo.

The ss. "Sochu Maru," (Capt. Hanada), sailed for Takao via Amoy and Swatow at 10 a.m. to-day with 570 tons of general cargo.

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## PARCELS POST IN ARGENTINE.

To the foreign trade bulletin issued by the American Express Company for February, we are indebted for hints in connection with mailing books and catalogues to Argentina. The bulletin, referring to parcels post difficulties and internal regulations, says:

So many complaints have been received at our Buenos Aires office regarding the custom of sending catalogues and similar articles to Argentina by parcels post that it seems well to point out the disadvantages to the Argentine recipient of this method of delivery.

In theory, the postal officials open a package sent by parcels post to see if it contains anything dutiable, and if so, collect the duty on delivery. Actually, however, the addressee must call in person to see his package opened, or employ a customs broker to be present, pay pesos 2.69 Argentine paper for official stamps and postal fees, even if the parcel contains nothing dutiable, and, of course, pay duties on dutiable items. This usually consumes at least two hours' time as well.

A further delay is caused if the package contains any article subject to internal taxation. Then a schedule must be made out, which the addressee must take to the proper office, call there again next day for the stamps to be affixed to the articles, take them to the post office, have them affixed, and submit them to a final inspection.

To avoid causing the Argentine prospect this inconvenience and expense, catalogues and similar articles should usually be sent by book post. In the case of valuable photographs, prints, etc., intended for a limited number of prospects only, it may be found more profitable in the long run to send them as letter post.

## SOAPBOX LECTURES VERBOTEN.

A Chinese medicine seller was this morning charged before Mr. N. L. Smith with obstructing the central district, by causing a crowd to gather. He pleaded "not guilty." The Police said that in trying to sell his drugs, the defendant went through a lot of antics which soon caused a crowd of delighted spectators to gather around him. He gave the crowd some demonstrations of his drugs, by operating on a small boy who complained of a stomach ache. The defendant gave this boy a licorice coated pill to swallow. A second or two after the boy had swallowed the pill, he spat some blood, and then announced to the crowd that his stomach ache had completely disappeared. Of course, said the Police, the small boy was an accomplice of the defendant who was an old humbug. More people began to gather, and standing on a box, the defendant gave them a long lecture, illustrated by frantic movements of arms and legs, on how to get rid of all external as well as internal ailments, by using one of his "never fail, cure all" mixtures. A constable interrupted just when the crowd was most interested, and removed the story teller to the Police station.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$3.

## A DANGEROUS VISITOR.

At the Magistracy, before Mr. N. L. Smith, this morning, a Chinese girl was charged with the theft of a counterpane and a box of drawing instruments from the first floor of No. 1, Hollywood Road. Things have been missing from the house from time to time, and suspicion had been more than once fallen on her, but as there was no proof, nothing could be done. The defendant stated the house again yesterday, and as she was leaving, she was searched by a female inmate of the house, and the box of drawing tools was found on her person. Further search revealed a pawn ticket relating to the counterpane which had been missing for some time.

The defendant said she regretted the drawing instruments that she took a fancy to them, and took them away to play with.

Asked as to the counterpane, she said it was sold to her by one of the female inmates of the house.

Replying to his Worship, she said she lived with her elder sister in a house in Square Street.

The Police said that it was not their fault that they had been unable to find the defendant's sister, because at the time of her arrest, the defendant gave them another address, and enquiries made there revealed the fact that she was not known.

His Worship said it would be a great pity to send such a small girl to jail, especially as the Police have now got her sister's right address, and are able to find her. He would remand the case, and in the meantime the Police are to find the defendant's sister, and get her to attend Court.

## GLEN LINE MOTOR SHIP IN PORT.

Another big motor ship, of later design than the "Siam," of the East Asiatic Company of Copenhagen, Messrs. Thorson & Company, Agents, of which an account appeared in the columns of the China Mail recently, is in port. This vessel, the "Glenluce," is one of seven already turned out for the Glen Line by Messrs. Harland & Wolff, Ltd. By the way, in speaking of a motorship, it would appear proper to say, the m.s. "Glenluce," instead of s.s. "Glenluce".

The "Glenluce" is a twin screw vessel, equipped with two four-cylinder, six-cylinder engines of the S. and W. type, each engine developing 1800 h.p. at 120 r.p.m. This corresponds to a total power of 2,900 h.p. The stroke of the cylinders is 39 3/8 inches, and the bore 26 3/8 inches. All auxiliaries such as cargo winches, steering machinery, and engine-room auxiliary pumps, are driven by electric motors. The electric power is supplied by four-cylinder, high speed Diesel engines. In the same compartment with the main engines, in order to start the main engines, two 3-stage air compressors are installed above, to supply the injection of oil fuel, and to start the engines until "they spark," and can operate for themselves on gas thrown off by the injected crude oil.

The "Glenluce" class, of which, it is understood, there are six others already in the water, have a deadweight carrying capacity of 10,500 tons, and their sea speed is 11 knots per hour. The length of these vessels is 406 feet between perpendiculars, with a beam of 54.2, and their gross register is 6,800 tons.

It is understood that a still heavier class of construction will be put into service by the Glen Line, four 13,000 tons deadweight carrying vessels having been ordered from Messrs. Harland & Wolff, Ltd., all of which will be launched before the end of this year. The speed expected from these latest vessels is 14 knots per hour, they being designed to carry higher powered engines than the "Glenluce" class. Their engine power will be equal to 5,400 h.p., and the engines will be the highest powered of their type yet constructed, the cylinders to be 750 m.m. in diameter, with a stroke of 1,100 m.m. The fuel oil consumption will be about 20 tons per 24 hours steaming (or rather, motoring).

Hongkong will undoubtedly be visited by many of these new smoke-stack-less steamers (or rather, motorers), as other companies than the East Asiatic of Copenhagen and the Glen Line are going in for them. The China Mail is indebted to Lloyd's Weekly Summary for the data given above.

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FRIDAY, 28th May  
FRIDAY, 25th June  
THURSDAY, 19th July  
MONDAY, 30th August  
FRIDAY, 24th September  
FRIDAY, 29th October  
MONDAY, 29th November  
THURSDAY, 23rd December

By Order of the Committee,  
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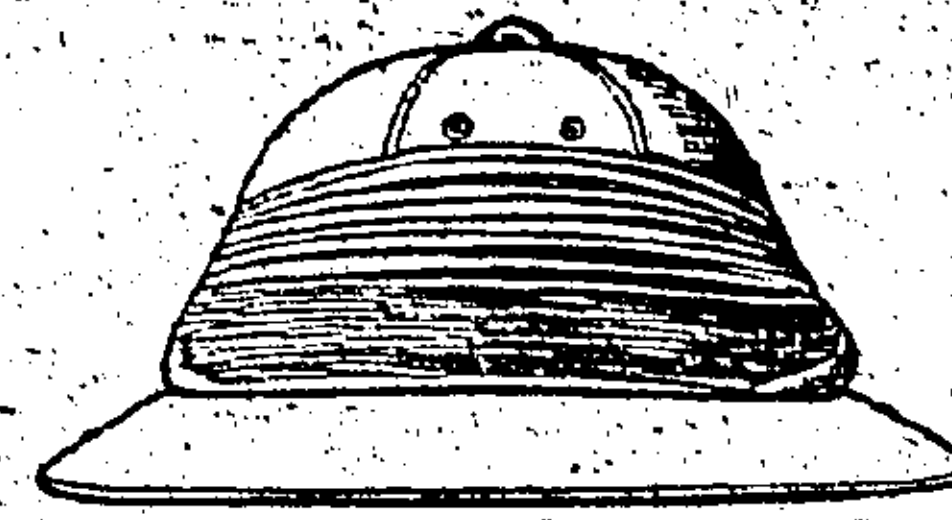
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## EXTRAORDINARY MEETING.

WINDING UP RESOLUTION  
CARRIED.MR. ROBERTSON'S DISSATIS-  
FACTION.

Despite the opposition of a substantial number of the British shareholders, the extraordinary general meeting of the shareholders of the Shanghai Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd., held on April 9, at the offices of the agents, the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha, Ltd., decided that the company should be wound up voluntarily and that Messrs. Norman Thomson and E. S. Wilkinson should be appointed liquidators. The directors present were Messrs. W. J. N. Dyer, J. Prentice, H. E. Morris and K. Onani, with the secretary, Mr. Kuroda, the attendance representing 30,022 shares. Mr. M. Nodaira, chairman of the company, was not present.

Mr. W. J. N. Dyer proposed in the absence of the chairman that the chair should be taken by Mr. J. Prentice.

Mr. Morris seconded.

Mr. H. Robertson: Gentlemen, I beg to object.

Mr. Dyer: Have you a second to that motion?

Mr. M. K. Kempton: I second that.

Mr. Dyer explained that the procedure adopted was in accordance with Article 80 of the Articles of Association.

Mr. Robertson: Gentlemen, the meeting was called by the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha and I maintain that the manager of the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha must be chairman of the meeting. If not, then pass it round the board and we will elect a chairman ourselves.

Mr. Dyer's proposition was then put to the meeting and declared carried, and Mr. Prentice occupied the chair.

Mr. Robertson: Gentlemen of the Press, I ask you to note my protest please. I object to Mr. Prentice taking the chair.

Mr. Prentice: I am sorry Mr. Robertson objects to my taking the chair, but I do so in accordance with the Articles of Association. I will now call upon Mr. Kuroda to read the notice convening the meeting. There is one statement made by Mr. Robertson that I must answer. He said that the meeting was called by the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha and that the manager of the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha must take the chair. This meeting was called by the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha as agents for the Shanghai Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.

The secretary then read the notice convening the meeting, after which the Chairman said:—

THE WINDING UP RESOLUTION.  
Gentlemen.—This meeting is for the purpose of considering and if thought fit, passing an extraordinary resolution the following resolution, that is to say:—That the Com-

pany be wound up voluntarily and that Messrs. Norman Thomson and Edward Sheldon Wilkinson, be and they are hereby appointed jointly and severally liquidators for the purpose of such winding up.

Our reasons for proposing the resolution are as follows:—This company is a British China Company and under the new Order in Council (regarding such companies) published early this year, the agents and general managers must be British subjects. Now, The Mitsui Bussan Kaisha, Ltd. (a Japanese company), have been agents and general managers of the company since its incorporation on December 5, 1908; their management has always been most satisfactory and successful, and we regret exceedingly that if the company is to remain British the agency and general management would have to be taken from them. We have received a letter from a large majority of the shareholders stating they would oppose any scheme for change of the management, and would rather have the company wound up than have the management changed.

Your directors after careful consideration have decided in the best interests of all the shareholders to recommend the voluntary winding up of the company, and to sell for cash as a going concern the whole of its undertaking and business, and to distribute the net profits to the shareholders, pro rata, according to the number of shares held by them.

We advise you to accept the resolution and vote in favour of it by the requisite majority.

I shall now move the resolution and after it has been seconded it will be open for discussion.

Mr. Morris seconded the proposition.

REPRESENTATION DEMANDED.

Mr. C. H. Pons: I beg to propose an amendment to the resolution, notice of which has already been sent to the Board and which has appeared in the North-China Daily News—on behalf of the shareholders of this company whose interests are the same as my own, and who hold something over 12,000 shares, but owing to the regulations in the articles of association 6,000 are not entitled to vote. We do not in any way complain of the regulation in the articles restricting shareholders' voting powers, but we feel that in so important a matter as the sale of the whole undertaking of the company's property, in the interests of so large a share as we have, we should have representation. We hope you will see the reasonableness of this view and will pass the amendment. Such a course would entirely satisfy myself and friends who only desire that the company's property should be realized to the best advantage of all concerned. Gentlemen, I have much pleasure in reading the amendment to the resolution:—

"That the extraordinary resolution set out in the published notice of the meeting be amended by the insertion therein of the name of Eric Munro Ross after the name of Edward Sheldon Wilkinson."

Mr. Robertson: I beg to second that, gentlemen.

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## LOST OR WON?

The chairman then put the amendment to the meeting and on a show of hands declared it carried, but at the same time demanded a poll.

Mr. Robertson said he also demanded a poll.

The Chairman: So there is no objection, we can either take it as your demand or mine.

Mr. Robertson: This is the first recognition that we have any rights.

The Chairman: I made it quite clear that the amendment was lost by a show of hands, but I think it only right that we should have a poll.

Mr. Pons: I understood you to say the amendment was carried.

The Chairman: No, Sir, I said it was lost.

Mr. Burrett: You said it was carried.

The Chairman: Well, I say now it was lost and if I demand a poll everything will be all right.

Mr. Burrett: I think it would be of interest to shareholders present if it was announced the number of shares represented personally, the number represented by proxy and the number which are ineligible to vote by reason of article 80, before you announce the result of the poll.

The Chairman: In answer to Mr. Burrett's question, the number of shares represented personally in the room is 20,915; 9,107 are represented by proxy, totalling 30,022, and the total number of shares in the company is 40,000.

Messrs. Burrett and Platt were appointed scrutineers and as a result of the poll, the Chairman declared the amendment lost, 6,262 votes being recorded for the amendment and 23,805 against.

## THE QUESTION OF SALE.

Before the Chairman put the substantive resolution, Mr. Burrett said:—

May I ask one or two questions in connection with it because if it is passed it may be too late. According to the circular issued by the company dated March 24, 1920, the directors announce that they will publicly invite tenders for the purchase of the entire undertaking in order to save time after the liquidation. I should like to ascertain whether any tender for the company's assets and undertaking has been asked for or received?

The Chairman: Not yet. They cannot be asked for until after the next meeting.

Mr. Burrett: Have particulars of the undertaking been given to any possible buyers?

The Chairman: Not yet.

Mr. Burrett: Will particulars of the undertaking be freely available to all shareholders who are not directly connected with the undertaking, not only in Shanghai and elsewhere?

The Chairman: Yes, we propose sending them to Japan, Shanghai and Hongkong.

Mr. Burrett: Shanghai and elsewhere?

The Chairman: Yes.

Mr. Burrett: Will that include Lancashire and Bombay?

The Chairman: It depends upon whether the Court will allow us to go on long enough as we are doing if we are to send particulars to Lancashire and Bombay.

The Chairman then put the resolution which he declared carried, but also demanding a poll.

Mr. Burrett asked whether a poll was necessary and the Chairman replied that the result would probably be the same as in the case of the amendment.

Mr. Burrett: I think the majority is satisfied that it will be carried.

The Chairman: You are not satisfied as to the poll?

Mr. Burrett: I am satisfied it will be carried.

Mr. Robertson: I am not.

The Chairman: I think as Mr. Robertson is not satisfied, we had better have a poll on the resolution.

MR. ROBERTSON DISSATISFIED.

Mr. Robertson: If you had listened to what I had said, you would have known that I did not raise any objection to the previous poll. You say you demand a poll on this and you can have a poll. Whether you have a poll or don't I am dissatisfied, whether it is carried by a show of hands or not. If it is carried by a poll, I shall still be dissatisfied.

The Chairman: I thought you were dissatisfied with the previous poll?

Mr. Robertson: I am not dissatisfied with the poll. I am dissatisfied with the whole proceeding.

On the poll being taken the resolution was declared carried by 24,053 against 5,812 votes.

Mr. Burrett asked that, in view of the feeling existing with regard to the absence of the Chairman of the company, whether some explanation could be given. He understood he was in port if not in that very building.

The Chairman said he could not say

## FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

(BY COURTESY "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS.")

PRESIDENTIAL MANDATE ABOUT  
GERMANS IN CHINA.

PEKING, April 21.  
A Presidential Mandate is being published promulgating the regulations governing the entry of Germans into China.

These provide that passports should be issued by Chinese diplomats and Consular agents abroad.

Germans repatriated from China and other doubtful cases are to be submitted to the Chinese Foreign Office and the Ministry of the Interior.

AFGHANS SEEK TREATY  
RELATIONS.

PEKING, April 21.  
Afghanistan is seeking to enter into treaty relations with China.

JAPANESE ACTION REGARDING  
CHINESE EASTERN RAILWAY.

PEKING, April 21.  
The Chinese are indignant over the Japanese interfering with the control of the Chinese Eastern Railway, the protection of which is assigned to China by the Inter-Allied Board.

A protest to Japan is being prepared against Japanese intervention at Hailar and other places. The Chinese residents in Vladivostok are appealing to Peking to send troops for their protection.

BRITISH MINISTER PRESENTS  
CREDENTIALS.

PEKING, April 21.  
Mr. Beilby Alston presented his credentials as British Minister this morning to President Hsu Shih-chang and was accompanied by the Legation staff. There was a brilliant ceremonial.

Mr. Alston made a speech, and the President replied, dwelling on the intimate relations of the two countries for three generations. The President said the fact that not only our frontiers touch, but an untold number of men of the Chinese race are citizens of the British Empire in the great Colonies of the South gives our two countries a special and unique interest in the consolidation and maintenance of general peace and harmony in the region of Eastern Asia. May the bonds of friendship which unite the British Empire and China be made imperishable, and thus serve the general interest of mankind.

SPURIOUS BANK OF ENGLAND  
NOTES FOUND  
IN SHANGHAI.

Counterfeit 15 Bank of England notes believed to be in circulation in Shanghai, the discovery of several that were thought to be spurious having followed a warning issued by the police in India that "green goods" were on the market. The notes against which the warning was issued were described as bearing the inscription payable in Hull or London. The notes that were regarded with suspicion were made payable in either Leeds or London.

Here is the warning sent out by the Indian police:—

It has come to the notice of the Government of India that counterfeit 15 Bank of England notes are in circulation and it is likely that these forged notes may find their way to India. Examination shows that the notes have been produced by what is known as "intaglio" printing from a metal plate—probably copper.

The size of the note is smaller than that of a genuine note and whereas the genuine note is payable in London, the spurious note is payable either in Hull or London.

The printing is of a yellow-brown; the original notes are printed in a different kind of ink. The watermark appears to have been made by means of a metal plate impressed on the paper after the note was printed.

The edges of the forged note are cut on all four sides by means of a machine, whereas the genuine note is cut on one side only, the remaining edges being "deckle."

The spurious notes are "quite good enough" to deceive many people, especially those not familiar with genuine Bank of England notes.

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if that were so or not, but it was immaterial.

Mr. Onni stated Mr. Nodaira was not in the building, and was understood to say the latter was suffering from a sore throat.

The meeting then terminated.

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Hongkong merchants are invited to correspond with American concerns seeking Hongkong connections as listed below:—

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No. 1367.—Paints and varnish. The Ocean Paint Works of 54 Front Street, New York City, invite correspondence looking to the introduction of their line of paints, oils, zinc, varnish, lead and colours.

No. 1368.—Special inks. Messrs. A. Van Brunt & Co., Inc. of 114 John Street, New York City, invite correspondence looking to the introduction of their line of duplicator and mimeograph inks.

No. 1369.—Gas machines. The Lirdsay Light Company of 91 Chambers Street, New York City, seek to introduce in this field their line of incandescent gas mantles and invite correspondence.

No. 1370.—Soap. The Sycamore Petroleum Company of Los Angeles, Cal., desire to correspond with Hongkong firms interested in good laundry soap.

No. 1371.—Leather. Messrs. Perkins and McNeely of 4th and Arch Streets, Philadelphia, seek to introduce in this field their line of glazed kid and similar leathers and invite correspondence.

No. 1372.—Typewriter Supplies. The Crown Ribbon and Carbon Manufacturing Company of 782-790 St. Paul Street, Rochester, N.Y., seek Hongkong connections for the introduction of their Crown brand of typewriter ribbons and carbon papers and similar goods.

No. 1373.—Chinese Produce.—Messrs. Christenson, Hanley and Weatherall of 24 Kiukiang Road, Shanghai, China, seek Hongkong connections for the sale of Shantung and Hankow products including peanuts, walnuts, and other commodities usually exported to America and Europe.

No. 1374.—Dye Stuffs and Chemicals.—Messrs. W. A. Ross and Brother of 11 South William Street, New York City, seek Hongkong connections for the export of American dye-stuffs, particularly natural dyes, such as logwood extract, quercetin, bark extract, etc. The company invites correspondence.

No. 1375.—Automatic Power and Light Plant. The Kohler Company of Kohler, Wisconsin, are planning to place on sale in this field an automatic power and light plant of 110 volts, a circular describing which has been received at the Consulate General. The company invites correspondence in regard to an agency.

Hongkong 20th April 1920.

SCENE IN MADRAS  
COUNCIL.

Madras, Mar. 13.—The Madras Legislative Council reassembled this morning, the Hon. Mr. C. G. Todhunter presiding in the absence of the Governor, who was attending the Industrial Conference.

Mr. Venkataswami Raju questioned the legality of Mr. Todhunter taking the chair in the absence of H. E. the President, basing his objection on Section 75 Clause 3, of the Government of India Act, 1915.

Sir Rajagopalachari explained that though he was the Vice-President of the Council and should have presided in the absence of the Governor he did not do so because he was in charge of the District Municipalities Bill and it would be inconvenient for him to preside.

Mr. Narasimhaiah said the letter of the law should be adhered to and that Mr. Todhunter's presiding was ultra vires.

Sir Rajagopalachari thereupon went and fetched H. E. the Governor from the Industrial Conference, and after consultation the Governor made the announcement that for the period of this sitting Sir Rajagopalachari resigned the Vice-Presidency of the Council, and His Excellency appointed Mr. Todhunter Vice-President.

The Council then proceeded with the discussion of the District Municipalities Bill.

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## SUPREME COURT.

Before the Acting Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Gompertz, in the Supreme Court this morning, the hearing was continued of the probate action in which Ho Cheng Shi, widow and administratrix of the estate of Ho Wo Lam, deceased, sued Ho Ngok Lau for an account of the late Ho Wo Lam's share in a theatrical business in Hongkong, on behalf of a youth named Ho Shau Yan, an infant, who was posthumously adopted as the son and heir of Ho Wo Lam.

Mr. Eldon Porter, with Mr. F. C. Jenkin, instructed by Mr. M. W. Lo, appeared for the plaintiff, and the Hon. Mr. E. H. Sharp, M.C., with Mr. C. G. Alabaster, instructed by Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, appeared for the defendant.

This morning Mr. Porter continued his opening address and enlarged upon his contention that the firm in respect of which the action was being taken was not a branch of a similar firm in Canton, but was a separate business in Victoria, within the jurisdiction of the Hongkong Supreme Court, and that plaintiff, as administratrix of an admitted partner in the business, was entitled to an account of his share. The case is proceeding and will probably not be concluded for several days.

## CRICKET.

## I.R.C. v. C.S.C.C.

The following will represent the I.R.C. in a friendly match against the C.S.C.C. on the former's ground to-morrow at 2.15 p.m. A. H. Rumjahn, A. el Arculli, G. C. Earde, A. A. Rumjahn, D. Rumjahn, S. H. Ismail, S. D. Ismail, S. A. Ismail, N. M. Bux, J. Curreen and S. A. R. Ismail.

## SHIPS DUE TO ARRIVE.

## FROM EUROPE.

The s.s. TETCER, due here Apr. 22 from Europe, and sail for Yokohama via Tsingtao, Nagasaki, Moji and Kobe, Apr. 24.  
The s.s. FRIAM, due here Apr. 23rd from Europe, and sail for Dairen via Shanghai, Chefoo and Taku Apr. 24.  
The s.s. LAERTES, due here Apr. 23 from Europe and sail for Shanghai Apr. 23.  
The s.s. FURYAORS, due here May 1st from Europe and sail for Japan via Tsingtao May 2.  
The s.s. TYDEUS, due here May 1st from Europe and sail for Japan via Shanghai May 2.  
The s.s. IDOMENUS, due here May 12th and sail for Shanghai May 13.  
The s.s. TERANIAS, due here May 16th and sail for Shanghai May 17.  
The s.s. TALIBYUS, due here May 25th and sail for Japan, May 26.  
The s.s. HELENUS, due here May 27th and sail for Japan via Shanghai, May 28.  
The s.s. AGAPENOR, due here May 31st and sail for Japan, June 1.  
The s.s. PAE LING, due here June 8th and sail for Japan, June 10.  
The s.s. DEUCALION, due here June 12th and sail for Shanghai, June 13.

## FROM AMERICA.

The s.s. VENEZUELA, left San Francisco Apr. 3, and is due here via Honolulu, Japan, Shanghai at 1 Manila, May 12.

## ARRIVALS.

April 22.  
The s.s. KWEILIN, Brit., 1,073 tons, from Shanghai, Capt. A. McDowell, B. & S. C36.  
The s.s. CHINHUA, Brit., 1,333 tons, from Swatow, Capt. Speed, B. & S. C39.  
The s.s. K. WANGLO, Chi., 1,464 tons, from Shanghai, Capt. S. Taylor, C. M. S. N. Co. C33.  
The s.s. RHESUS, Brit., 4,280 tons, from Shanghai, Capt. E. Taylor, B. & S. A2.  
The s.s. MUTTRA, Brit., 2,985 tons, from Calcutta, Capt. S. A. Morgan, M. & Co. What.  
The s.s. FOOLEE, Chi., 659 tons, from Weihaiwei, Capt. Miyoko, Yeo Tai Hong B11.

## CLEARANCES.

April 22.  
The s.s. PROSPER, (Nor.), cleared to-day and will sail for Saigon at 6 a.m. to-morrow.  
The s.s. HIRADO MARU, (Jap.), cleared to-day and will sail for Keelung at 8 a.m. to-morrow.  
The s.s. BENGLEUCH, (Brit.), cleared to-day and will sail for Yokohama via Moji at 10 a.m. to-morrow.  
The s.s. RHESUS, (Brit.), cleared to-day and will sail for London via Singapore at 9 p.m. to-morrow.  
The s.s. YANGTSE, (Brit.), cleared to-day and will sail for Singapore via Manila at 9 a.m. to-morrow.

## DEPARTURES.

April 22.  
The s.s. KASHIMA MARU, (Jap.), Capt. Sakai, Agents Doolittle & Co., left for Chin Wan Tue to-day.  
The s.s. GLENLUCE, (Brit.), Capt. W. H. Kennedy, Agents J. M. & Co., left for Kobe via Shanghai, Tue to-day.  
The s.s. SONGMA, (Fr.), Capt. Alexia, Agents Laplace, left for Haiphong via Haibow to-day.

WALLA-WALLA BOAT  
In use ship. Phone No. 3516.

## WEATHER REPORT.

April 22d. 12h. 17m.—No returns from Japan and Vladivostok.

Pressure has increased considerably at Shanghai, and slightly to moderately over Formosa, and the east coast generally; it has decreased slightly elsewhere. The anticyclone has strengthened, and appears to have moved into the Yellow Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 9.06 inches, against an average of 9.88 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on the 23rd.  
1.—Hongkong to Gap, Rock, N.E. winds, strong, moderating; fair.

2.—Formosa Channel. The same as No. 1.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamook. The same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan. The same as No. 1.

## ROYAL OBSERVATORY,

## HONGKONG, DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

APRIL 22, 1920.—a.m.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer at Sea Level.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind.		
					Direction.	Force.	Weather.
Vladivostok	6 a.						
Yokohama	6 a.						
Dairen	6 a.						
Tokyo	6 a.						
Sochi	6 a.						
Yagasaki	6 a.						
Kobe	6 a.						
Karubina.	6 a.						
Osaka	6 a.						
Naha	6 a.						
Shinjima	6 a.						
Santon Island	6 a.						
Yokohama	6 a.	30.09	50 45	EW	1	b	
Hankow	6 a.						
Shanghai	6 a.						
Keelung	6 a.						
Changhai	6 a.						
Shanghai	6 a.	30.11	48 87	E	1	b	
Shanghai	6 a.	30.15	50 82	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.16	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.17	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.18	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.19	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.20	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.21	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.22	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.23	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.24	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.25	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.26	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.27	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.28	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.29	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.30	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.31	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.32	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.33	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.34	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.35	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.36	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.37	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.38	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.39	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.40	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.41	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.42	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.43	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.44	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.45	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.46	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.47	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.48	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.49	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.50	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.51	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.52	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.53	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.54	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.55	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.56	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.57	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.58	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.59	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.60	50 80	WSE	2		
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Shanghai	6 a.	30.74	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.75	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.76	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.77	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.78	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.79	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.80	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.81	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.82	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.83	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.84	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.85	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.86	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.87	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.88	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.89	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.90	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.91	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.92	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.93	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.94	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.95	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.96	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.97	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.98	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	30.99	50 80	WSE	2		
Shanghai	6 a.	31.00	50 80	WSE	2		